Resolution authorizing a one-year contract Between the City of Columbus, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, and the Franklin County Public Defender Commission (Public Defender) (\$1,063,925)

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Public Defender Commission contracts with the City of Columbus and the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to provide legal counsel for indigent defendants in the Franklin County Municipal Court at an estimated cost of \$4,039,986 in 2012 and

WHEREAS, for the purposes of the 2012 contract, it is estimated that approximately 59% of the City Unit cases, estimated to be \$2,383,592, will be related to indigent persons with misdemeanor criminal violations of state law and, therefore, will be the responsibility of Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, for the purposes of the 2012 contract, \$12,731 from the 2011 contract reconciliation is applied towards the amount owed by the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, the costs of providing legal services to indigent persons with misdemeanor criminal violations of the Columbus City Codes pursuant to Section 12 of the Charter of the City of Columbus and Chapter 173 of the Columbus City Codes are estimated to be \$1,656,394; and

WHEREAS, the Public Defender Commission shall receive reimbursement of approximately 35% of these costs from the State Public Defender Commission with the balance of \$1,063,925 to be provided by the City of Columbus; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

That the attached contract between the City of Columbus, the Board of Franklin County Commissioners, and the Franklin County Public Defender Commission for indigent defense for fiscal year 2012 is hereby approved.

AGENCY CONTRACT AMOUNT Franklin County Public Defender \$1,063,925
Total \$1,063,925

Prepared by: Christy Clarizio

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cc: Commissioners-Finance

Public Defender City of Columbus